MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative.

Complaints re the selection of certain lands under the Land Colonisation Scheme from the Muvattupuzha taluk.

195 **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that in the preliminary list of lands prepared for registry in accordance with the Land Colonisation Scheme in the Muvattupuzha taluk, certain lands in the possession and enjoyment of private individuals for a long time past, containing permanent improvements, and lying adjacent to registered holdings have also been included;

(*b*) whether they have it under consideration to see that these lands which are being improved under the belief that they will be registered in the names of the improvers thereof according to Rule 18 of the Puduval Rules, are excluded from the preliminary list and registered at once in the names of the respective improvers according to the Puduval Rules; and

(*c*) whether they are aware that the Revenue Commissioner has personally noticed in his Muvattupuzha tour and has been convinced that certain lands in that taluk which have been enclosed by *kayyala* walls and added to registered holdings and which have long since been under improvement and enjoyment, have been included in the preliminary list prepared in connection with the Land Colonisation Scheme, and, if so, whether he has ordered the registry of such lands in favour of the improvers and called for the explanation of the Proverthikar responsible for the irregularity?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The Land Colonisation Rules do not prohibit unauthorisedly occupied lands containing valuable improvements being selected for being constituted into compact blocks, provided they are otherwise suitable. But, as far as possible, lands containing valuable and *bona fide* improvements will not be selected, but will be left for disposal under the ordinary Puduval Rules.

(*c*) The Land Revenue Commissioner has reported that in one of his tours to Muvattupuzha he inspected certain lands in the Kuttamangalam Pakuthy which had been encroached upon by the member and which had been included in the preliminary list of lands recommended to be dealt with under the Land Colonisation Rules. The Land Revenue Commissioner called for a report from the Dewan Peishkar and has referred the matter to the Government for their orders.

Committee for the Revision of Salary of the Vernacular School Teachers.

196 **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*): In regard to the Committee appointed for the revision of the pay and status of the Vernacular School Teachers, will the Government be pleased to state:

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